

DISTRICT VI ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Monday
December 4, 2000
7:00 p.m.

Evergreen Recreation Center
2700 N. Woodland

Members Present

John Van Walleghe
Bob Schreck
Tony Rangel
Gregory Chinn
Bickley Foster
Doratheia Sloan
Clarence Wiley
Veronica Casados
Wendell Turner

Members Absent

Linda Matney
Sharon Fearey

Guests

listed at end of minutes

Council Member Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed guests and asked DAB members to introduce him or herself and identify the area or association represented.

After introductions were complete, **Council Member Cole** asked for approval of the November 15, 2000 minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted.
(Schreck/VanWalleghe 8-0)

Council Member Cole asked to approve modifies or amends to the agenda presented. **Cole** asked to add Item 3b) The letter of support from DAB VI for the *Riverside Pathways* written by **Member Fearey** for DAB members to review. Amendments to the agenda were approved. (Schreck/Chinn 8-0)

PUBLIC AGENDA

No items were submitted.

PLANNING

No items have been submitted.

Member Rangel arrived at 7:12 p.m.

COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Proposed paving of Porter from 33rd to 34th Street North

Gene Rath, Public Works Department Staff presented a drawing showing the paving section to be done. This paving project is an unusual situation. Normally the paving is assessed by sq. ft. of the property, but because of the way this block is laid out, the plan for paying of this project is being assessed equally to each resident regardless of the size of their property. The petition circulated for this project was to support equal share pay. The residents agreed.

Mr. Jim Kincaid, 1300 W. 34th Street North, has been a resident of the area since 1988. The conditions of the roads have worsened through the years. There have been two petitions circulated in the past year and a half but never submitted for approval. *Mr. Kincaid* after visiting with **Council Member Cole**, in late October, decided to formally circulate the second petition which supported sharing equally the cost of paving. Within one week the petition received a majority of support. *Mr. Kincaid* requested the DAB VI's approval and recommendation for shared cost on this paving project. See Attachment 1.

Debbie Guernsey, 1213 W. 34th North, submitted at this meeting a proposal to change assessment for paving of Porter from "equal fraction basis" to being based on Lot/sq. ft. The reasons were: 1) The normal method for assessment is by Lot Sq. Ft.; 2) Proposal passed based on Lot Sq. Ft. voting numbers; 3) More Lot Sq. Ft. probably means higher property value and greater property value \$ gain with Porter paved; and 4) Decreased division over issue within neighborhood /help neighborhood unity/more equitable. See Attachment 1b.

Member Casados asked what percent of time is *equal distribution* used?

Mr. Rath commented that this was an unusual situation due to the way the block was laid out. For this paving project, *Mr. Rath* said equal share was easily understood, more sellable.

Member Foster asked if there was any record of water or sewer lines installation also for this area and how was it assessed.

Mr. Rath stated that yes some water or sewer line installation had taken place and the fee was based on sq. ft.

Comments from other residents present were:

- Did not know there were more options for petitions
- The City should pay for paving.
- The City has caused friction in our neighborhood

Council Member Cole thanked *Mr. Kincaid* for his presentation. Also commenting to the audience that the only time the City pays for some projects is if the area falls under low-income neighborhood guidelines. Everyone wants the City to pay for their street paving. When petitions are passed, it is to give everyone a chance to be notified. All this area should have been aware of what was taking place.

Recommendation: Motion to recommend equal share of the paving cost be approved. (**Foster/Schreck 9-0**)

Mr. Rath stated that since there is only one entrance to this location. The project may take a few months to finish. The City will try not to inconvenience the residents for long periods of time.

2. **Proposed paving of Aley, Burnett and 26th Street between Fairview and Broadway**

Gene Rath, Public Works Department Staff presented a drawing showing the paving section to be done. This case is based on sq. ft. This was the most typical way to process. This is a different neighborhood compared to the other paving project. This neighborhood has different size lots. Majority of area is resident owners.

Sue Randolph, 126 W. Aley, stated that her family is in favor of the paving. This will be a big improvement to our neighborhood. She is surprised that the North and South sides are not being paved.

Council Member Cole stated that **Member Turner** has spent many hours working on this and other petitions. **Cole** commends **Mr. Turner** for his work with his neighborhood.

Recommendation: Motion to approve paving project as submitted. (**Turner/Sloan 9-0**)

3. **Environmental Health Presentation**

Mark Bradshaw, Supervisor of Environmental Health Division, explained about the common health code violations that are handled through his department:

- Improper trash and debris disposal
- Bulky waste
- Tall grass and weeds
- Animal Control
- Inoperable or abandoned vehicles
- Rundown or vacant buildings
- Insects and rodents

Mr. Bradshaw stated that his staff covers all of Sedgwick County. With only four staff members to handle this, it helps when residents notify his department of problems in neighborhoods.

Recommendation: Receive and File

3b. **Riverside Pathways Letter of Support**

Member Fearey wrote a letter of support for the Riverside Pathways so the DAB VI Member could review. After the letter was read aloud, Members felt it was a very good letter and should accomplish what they are in favor of.

Recommendation: Motion to send the letter of support and have the First Pro-Tem Dorathea Sloan sign the letter to represent the DAB VI Members. (**Casados/Wiley 9-0**)

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Update on Police Academy Park and Schell Park

Update on Northwest Traffic Study

Council Member Cole discussed the *Police Academy Park* (not official name) that by April 2001 the equipment will be ready to be placed in the park. **Cole** understands the neighborhoods concern over a sidewalk needed to be placed close to the park. The neighborhood association has worked very hard to assist with the park equipment. They also have received many donations towards this project. In January 2001, **Council Member Cole** will visit the neighborhood associations monthly meeting and look at the total cost of this project and see if the City could share some cost towards the sidewalk. Normally funds are used for low-income areas. **Cole** stated how impressed she was on what the *Sherwood Glen Neighborhood Association (SGNA)* had done on this project.

Terry Weatherson, 3911 Garland, said that most of the equipment for the park would be installed within the next 30 days and the association was looking to dedicate the park in April 2001.

Member Turner stated that the *Sherwood Glen Neighborhood Association* should look into the *Greenways Bike Path* projects and see if they would assist with the sidewalk. This could allow a bike path to connect to the *North Chisholm Creek* area bike path.

It was stated that there could be no bike path on public streets and the *SGNA* is surrounded by public streets.

Schell Park

Keith Koontz, North Riverbend Neighborhood Association President, 2224 Woodland, stated that trees have been planted on the East Side of the park. One of his neighbors said they were thinking of decorating the trees. *Mr. Koontz* questioned when was the West Side of the field going to continue the rehabilitation. The work has stopped for now.

Member Turner commented that the irrigation system was the next step, clay has been added and then dirt will be added to finish the project. **Mr. Turner** said he was also keeping his eye on the progress of the field.

Northwest Traffic Study

Council Member Cole stated that the *Wichita City Council* held a workshop recently and consultants were present with information on the bridges. No bridges were mentioned just data about traffic. You all probably read in the newspaper that *Mayor Knight* said no bridges. The recommendation from Public Works is to continue with the

Widening at Central and then look again at traffic at Central and Zoo Boulevard. Also to get State and Federal participation for I-235.

Council Member Cole commented that the residents were working in the right direction and to keep organizing to achieve their goal.

Bob Wine, Orchard Park Neighborhood Association stated that his area was meeting regarding initiatives for the 21st Street Bridge.

Rosalie Bradley, North Riverside Neighborhood Association, stated to date they had 550 signatures favoring the 21st Street bridge option. She feels that KDOT could be influenced to participate in funding.

Member Rangel mentioned that when this discussion first came about there was talk about **DAB V** and **DAB VI** holding a joint meeting on the Floodway Bridge subject. Was this still being looked at?

Council Member Cole stated not at this time.

Recommendation: Receive and File

5. Problem Properties

DAB Members are given the opportunity to notify City staff about problem properties throughout the District.

No items were submitted

6. Meeting dates for January 2001

Monday, January 8, 2001

- a) Paving 24th Street North between Hood and Salina
- b) Planning: Zone change SF-6 to LI limited industrial

Wednesday, January 17, 2001

- a) Inquiries about sidewalks and how they are funded.
- b) Mid-town Two-way street study
- c) Rio Vista Street Lights
- d) Rental Licensing (possible)

Recommendation: Receive and File

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Member Foster presented a **Kansas Government Journal** with a article on *Mayor Bob Knight*. The article had a summation of his time as president of the *National League of Cities*. It was asked for copies to be made and sent to all DAB Members so they could read the article, as it was very interesting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri Dozal
District VI Neighborhood Assistant

Guests:

Jim and Sharon Kinkaid	1300 W. 34 th North, 67204
Rosalie Bradley	1401 Julianne, 67203
Ralph and Melissa Johnson	12122 W 19 th , 67235
Ted Eberle	1333 W. 34 th , 67204
James and Anita Tracy	1214 W. 34 th N, 67204
Terry Weatherson	3911 Garland, 67204
Bill and Peg Endicott	1225 W 34 th N, 67204
Bob and Janet Wine	1402 N. Doris Circle, 67212
Charlene VanBurkleo	1240 W 34 th N, 67204
Robert and Camilla Hartman	1138 W, 34 th N, 67204
Pancho Bustos	1310 W 34 th N, 67204
Keith and Beverly Koontz	2224 Woodland 67204
Darren and Pamela Bridges	1212 W. 34 th N, 67204
Sue Randolph	126 W. Aley, 67204
Berniece Randolph	209 W. Aley, 67204
Berle and Maurine Willis	3834 Woodrow, 67204
Judi and Leon Krob	1142, W. 34 th Ct., 67204
Marjorie and Larry Guenther	1113 W 34 th N, 67204
Jim Kinkaid	1300 W. 34 th N, 67204
Debbie and John Guernsey	1213 W. 34 th N, 67204
Gene Rath	Public Works staff